

Application. No. 09/892,860

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0008] with the following rewritten paragraph:

X (-- [0008] The mixed liquor to be screened can be removed from the recycle mixed liquor stream in the waste water treatment system. Typically recycled mixed liquor is recycled to the head of the waste water treatment system, and the mixed liquor to be passed through the screen can be removed from the recycle mixed liquor stream. For example, the mixed liquor to be passed through the screen can be removed from the recycle mixed liquor stream ~~downstream~~ upstream of where the screened mixed liquor flows back to the recycle mixed liquor stream. Alternately, the mixed liquor to be screened can be removed from the waste water treatment system at various other locations. The screened mixed liquor can be flowed back to the wastewater treatment system directly or to the recycle mixed liquor stream and the screenings can be either treated or disposed of directly or in combination with the waste activated sludge.--